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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The regular Session of the 92nd General Assembly will please come to order. Will the Members please be at their desks? Will our guests in the galleries please rise? Our prayer today will be given by Father Richard La Pata, President, Fenwick High School, Oak Park, Illinois. Father La Pata.

FATHER RICHARD LA PATA:

(Prayer by Father Richard La Pata)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please remain standing for the Pledge of Allegiance. Senator Radogno.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

(Pledge of Allegiance, led by Senator Radogno)

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Reading of the Journal.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Journals of Tuesday, March 20th; Wednesday, March 21st; and Thursday, March 22nd, 2001.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers.

SENATOR MYERS:

Mr. President, I move that the Journals just read by the Secretary be approved, unless some Senator has additions or corrections to offer.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Myers moves to approve the Journals just read. There being no objection, so ordered. Messages from the House.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message from the House by Mr. Rossi, Clerk.

Mr. President - I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed bills of the following titles, in the passage of which I am instructed to ask the

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concurrence of the Senate, to wit:

House Bills 376, 513, 596, 678, 681, 977, 2375, 2379, 3099, 3119, 23, 542, 752, 1070, 1973, 2249, 2265, 2266, 2295, 3094, 371, 480, 862, 1700, 2189, 2230, 3068 and 3563.

All passed the House, March the 22nd, 2001.

We have a like Message on House Bills 207, 604, 842, 1008, 1551, 1845, 1988, 1989, 2278, 2567 and 3192.

All passed the House, March 23rd, 2001.

And we have another Message on House Bills 36, 352, 854, 921, 1046, 1851, 1927, 2392, 2511, 3557, 201, 448, 770, 2001, 3126, 3136 and 3246.

All passed the House, March 26th, 2001.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Mr. President, I'd like the Journal to reflect that Senator Smith is not here this week due to illness. I would ask that it be journalized until further notice, without making a -- a notice each morning.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

The record will so indicate. Resolutions.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Resolution 90, offered by Senator Wendell Jones and all Members.

Senate Resolution 91, by Senator Link.

Senate Resolution 92, by Senators Demuzio and Emil Jones and all Members.

And Senate Resolution 93, by Senator Shadid.

They're all death resolutions, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Consent Calendar. Senator Bowles, for what purpose do you rise?

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SENATOR BOWLES:

Thank you, Mr. President. For a point of -- personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR BOWLES:

I would like to introduce a constituent from Edwardsville, Illinois, Mrs. Ann Stolte, who is here today to observe the proceedings in the Senate.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will you please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Senator Geo-Karis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President, on a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, it's my pleasure to introduce to you one of my constituents from Gurnee, who happens to be the grandson of Senator Peterson, but I'm happy to tell you the young man is Kyle Haevers - H-A-E-V-E-R-S - the grandson of Senator Peterson. And I'm happy also to tell you, I'm glad he's in my district. Will you please give him a good welcome?

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will he please rise and be recognized by the... Now, if you'll pay a little attention, I'm going to turn the podium over to Senator Cronin, who's going to introduce a statewide basketball champion. Senator Cronin.

SENATOR CRONIN:

Good afternoon. Good afternoon, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. If I may have your attention for a moment, please, I

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would be most grateful. I'm here today to honor the Girls' State Championship Basketball Team from Fenwick High School. And -- if I may, I'd just like to offer a couple of quick remarks about Fenwick and introduce a few folks. Fenwick High School is a truly unique and special institution. It's located in Oak Park, it draws students from far and wide. Illinois, but established in 1929 by the Dominican Fathers, who lead the school There's nearly twelve hundred students. And let me tell you, Fenwick boasts a loyal and distinguished alumni of Fortune 500 presidents and CEOs, leaders in the military, Major General Healy, Astronaut Dr. Kerwin, Pulitzer Prize winners, Olympic Gold Medalist Ken Sitzberger, and Heisman Trophy award winner Johnny Lattner. Today -- today we recognize the greatest girls' high school basketball team in Illinois history. That's right. Look at the statistics, look at the facts. Most points ever scored in a season. Most points ever scored in a final. Most -- largest margin of victory in most games ever won in a season. This really is a very, very special team. I'd like to introduce, if I may, the Principal of Fenwick High School, Dr. Jim Quaid, for a few remarks. Jim Quaid.

DR. JIM QUAID:

(Remarks by Dr. Jim Quaid)

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you, Jim. I'd like to introduce the Athletic Director, Mike Curtin, who will introduce the coach, who'll introduce the players. Mike Curtin.

DIRECTOR MIKE CURTIN:

(Remarks and Introduction by Director Mike Curtin)
COACH DAVID POWER:

(Remarks and Introductions by David Power)

SENATOR CRONIN:

Thank you very much, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Senator Radogno, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR RADOGNO:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR RADOGNO:

Mr. President, I'm pleased today to introduce, first, a couple of my constituents, Ana and Stefan Krkic, and many of you may know their mother, Gordana, who lobbies for the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians. They're here visiting today. I also have a couple of folks who came down to testify today on the halal food bill, from our Muslim community, Dr. Sabri Samairah and Muhammad Chaudry, from Chicago, and I want to welcome them.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Please rise and be recognized by the Senate. Senator Karpiel, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KARPIEL:

For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

I would like to introduce you -- introduce the Senate to my Page for today, John Kirn, from Roselle, which you -- Senator Philip and I represent, as well as his mother, Linda, his grandmother, Virginia, and brother, Matt, up in the balcony. Will you...

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will -- will they please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Senator Sullivan, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Point of personal privilege, Mr. President.

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PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State -- state your point.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you. If the Senate could please join me in welcoming Sarah Tandet, who is a Page with us, and her family is in the rostrum above you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Will they please rise and be recognized by the Senate? Messages.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Message for the Governor by Michael P. Madigan, Director of Legislative Affairs, March 27th, 2001.

Mr. President - The Governor directs me to lay before the Senate the following Message:

To the Honorable Members of the Senate - I have nominated and appointed the following named persons to the offices enumerated below and respectfully ask concurrence in and confirmation of these appointments of your Honorable Body.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

On today's Calendar, on page 2, top of the page, Senate Bills 2nd Reading. Senate Bill 16. Senator O'Malley. Senator O'Malley. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 52. Senator Mahar. Senator Mahar. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 62. Senator Obama. Senator Obama. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 88. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 118. Senator Klemm. Senator Klemm. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 172. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 193. Senator Dudycz. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 207. Senator Peterson. Senator Peterson. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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Senate Bill 207.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

2nd Reading -- 3rd Reading, excuse me. Senate Bill 222. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 222.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 251. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. 251. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 252. Senator Lauzen. Senator Lauzen. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 257. Senator Dillard. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary. SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 257.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 269. Senator -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 329. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 329.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Education adopted one

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amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments that have been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 330. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 330.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. There are no committee amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Top of page 3. Senate Bill 333. Senator Tom Walsh. Senator Walsh. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 376. Senator Sieben. Senator Sieben. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 376.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 405. Senator -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 441. Senator Parker. Senator Parker. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 447. Senator Sullivan. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 449. Senator Peterson.

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Senator Peterson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 453. Senator Jacobs. Senator Jacobs. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 458. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 461. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 489. Senator Molaro. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 510. Senator Parker. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 510.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 517. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 539. Senator Lauzen. Senator Lauzen. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 539.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments. PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator -- Senator Lauzen. Take it out of the bill {sic}. Senate Bill 558. Senator Rauschenberger. Senator Rauschenberger. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 571. Senator Watson. Senator Watson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 602. Senator Halvorson. Take it out of the record. Top of page 4. Senate Bill 608. Senator Syverson. Senator Syverson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 609. Senator Jones, Wendell. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 609.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Judiciary adopted one

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amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 616. Senator Peterson. Senator Peterson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 617. Senator Peterson. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 624. Senator Obama. Senator Obama. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill -- Senate Bill 640. Senator Cullerton. Senate Bill 638. Senator -- Cullerton. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 638.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 640. Senator -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 653. Senator Lauzen. Senator Lauzen. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 657. Senator Halvorson. Senator -- take it out of the record. Senate Bill 664. Senator Noland. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 687. Senator Dillard. Senator Dillard. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 717. Senator Cronin. Senator Cronin. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 717. Senator Cronin. Senator Klemm. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 726.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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3rd Reading. Senate Bill 727. Senator Klemm. Take it out of the record. Senate Bill 730. Senator Roskam. Senator Roskam. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 730.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any further amendments adopted on the Floor? SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senate Bill 735. Senator Bomke. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 735.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

Have there been any Floor amendments been approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

3rd Reading. Senator Parker, for what purpose do you rise? SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Mr. -- thank you, Mr. President. For a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

State your point.

SENATOR PARKER:

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I have a constituent up in the President's Gallery, Bennett Rosenthal, and his son is with me today, Doug Rosenthal. Would they please stand, and please give them a warm welcome.

PRESIDENT PHILIP:

If you'll please rise and be recognized by the Senate.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

At the top of page 5, Senate Bill 778. Senator Weaver. Out of the record. Senator Noland. Senate Bill 788. Out of the record. Senator Lauzen, on Senate Bill 794. Senator Lauzen. Out of the record. Senator Lauzen, on Senate Bill 795. Out of the record. Out of the record, Senate Bill 796. Senator Sullivan, on Senate Bill 817. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 817.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Public Health and Welfare adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Sieben. Senate Bill 824. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 824.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Klemm, on Senate Bill 826. Senator Klemm? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

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SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 826.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 827. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 827.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 833. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 833.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Luechtefeld, on Senate Bill 839. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 839.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Karpiel, on Senate Bill 843. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 843.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities

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adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 846. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 846.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 847. Out of the record. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 856. Out of the record. Senate Bill 859. Senator Luechtefeld. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 859.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 868. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 868.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Commerce and Industry adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

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SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill -- no -- on 875.

Senator Dillard? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 875.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Noland, on Senate Bill 876. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 876.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 880. Out of the record. Senator Thomas Walsh, on Senate Bill 881. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 881.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Geo-Karis, on Senate Bill 887. Out of the record. Senator Bomke, on Senate Bill 900. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 900.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Watson, on Senate Bill 902. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 902.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Executive adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Lauzen, on Senate Bill 921. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Out of the record. Out of the record. Senator Lauzen, on Senate Bill 923. Out of the record. Senator Dudycz, on Senate Bill 926. Out of the record. Senator Parker, on Senate Bill 930. Out of the record. Senator Myers, on Senate Bill 931. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 931.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on State Government Operations adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Robert Madigan, on Senate Bill 942. Out of the record. Senator Burzynski, on Senate Bill 969. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 969.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Munoz. Senator Munoz. Out of the record. Senator Hawkinson, on Senate Bill 984. Out of the record. Senator Demuzio, on Senate Bill 1024. Senator Demuzio? Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1024.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator O'Malley, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

I'd like everybody here to take a moment and recognize some really fine young people from back home -- back home for me, in any event. The seventh graders, along with some good parents who have come with them and, of course, Sister Susan, from St. Alexander's Parish, in the City of Palos Heights, are here with us today. And they're all standing and raising their hands and if we could give a warm welcome.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Well, wave, and welcome to Illinois Senate. Welcome to Springfield. Senator Philip, on Senate Bill 1032. Senator Philip. Out of the record. Senator Wendell Jones, on Senate Bill 1099. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1099.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Clayborne. Senator Clayborne, on Senate Bill 1116. Out of the record. Senator Clayborne, on 1117. Out of the record. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 1135. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1135.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Revenue adopted one amendment.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been Floor amendments?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

No -- 3rd Reading. Senator Parker, on Senate Bill 1150. Senator Parker? Out of the record. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 1152. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1152.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. The Committee on Licensed Activities adopted one amendment.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been Floor amendments approved?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Philip, on Senate Bill 1168. Out of the record. 1169. Out of the record. 1171. Out of the record. Senator Thomas Walsh, on 1172. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1172.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Committee Reports.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senator Dillard, Chair of the Committee on Local Government, reports Senate Bills 94, 358, 677, 754, 1109, 1223 and 1282 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 663, 945, 946, 975 and 991 Do Pass, as Amended.

Senator Robert Madigan, Chair of the Committee on Insurance and Pensions, reports Senate Bills 42, 943, 944, 1046 and 1126 Do Pass; Senate Bills 1340, 1341 and 1497 Do Pass {sic} (Do Pass, as Amended); and Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 1254 Be Adopted.

Senator Syverson, Chair of the Committee on Public Health and Welfare, reports Senate Bills 151, 161, 162, 163, 698, 933, 959, 1272, 1274 and 1304 Do Pass; and Senate Bills 114, 445, 750, 950, 1033, 1081, 1276 and 1303 Do Pass, as Amended.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Myers, for what purpose do you seek recognition? SENATOR MYERS:

Madam President, a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Please state your point.

SENATOR MYERS:

I have visitors here from Clark, Coles, Vermilion and Iroquois Counties. If they'd stand to be recognized, I'd appreciate it.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please stand to be recognized and welcome to Springfield. All right. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 1177. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1177.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee or Floor amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 1208. Out of the record. Senator Petka, on Senate Bill 1249. Senator Petka? Out of the record. Senator Robert Madigan, on Senate Bill 1254. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

SECRETARY HARRY:

Senate Bill 1254.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

2nd Reading of the bill. No committee amendments.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Lauzen.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Lauzen, on Amendment No. 1.

SENATOR LAUZEN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Amendment No. 1 on Senate Bill 1254 is the "Baby AIDS" bill that was heard in committee today.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor, say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

SECRETARY HARRY:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Philip, on Senate Bill 1285. Out of the record. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 1511. Out of the record. Senator Wendell Jones, for what purpose do you seek recognition?

SENATOR W. JONES:

A point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Please state your point.

SENATOR W. JONES:

I'd like to introduce friends of mine from Palatine, Illinois, Larry and Lindsay Lykowski, in the President's Gallery.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Will you please rise and be recognized by the Illinois Senate? Welcome to Springfield. If I could have the Body's attention for just a minute, we are going to go to the Order of House Bills 3rd Reading, at the top of page 18. Senator Clayborne, on House Bill 258. Mr. Secretary, read the bill.

SECRETARY HARRY:

House Bill 258.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Clayborne.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

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Thank you, Madam President. House Bill 258 is a bill that will -- I'm having problems hearing, Madam -- Madam President.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

If we could have your attention, we're on House Bills 3rd Reading.

SENATOR CLAYBORNE:

Thank -- thank you, Madam President. House Bill 258 amends the Public Community -- Community College Act, which basically provides that we will stagger the terms of the trustees, beginning in 2003. Currently, what -- what happened, when we changed the law and eliminated odd-year elections in November, then we didn't have an opportunity to redistrict -- we didn't have an opportunity to redistrict the community college board trustees in my area for -- for college -- Community College District 522. All other community college districts elect their trustees at large; these are elected by district. And because we eliminated the odd-year November balloting -- or, voting, there wasn't sufficient time for this -- this time, on April 3rd, to redistrict or redraw the community college trustees' districts. So what we're doing is for those who have four-year terms and six-year terms, in 2003, those who elected April 3rd in 2003, we will -- begin their new ten-year cycle. And -- because then they will be allowed -- there will be sufficient time to redraw those districts. So, basically, we're correcting a mistake that was -- that -- that resulted as a result of us eliminating the odd-year elections. And they will be elected in 2001, April 3rd, based upon their old district, and then we will change their new districts for 2003. If there are any questions, I will be free -- more than happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall House Bill 258 pass. Those in favor

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will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill 258, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. If I could have the Body's attention on page 12. We will go to the Order of Senate Bills 3rd Reading where we left off the last day, and it is Senate Bill -- or, yeah -- 753. Senator Philip. Out of the record. Senator Parker, on Senate Bill 755. Read the bill, Mr. Secretary.

Senate Bill 755.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Parker.

SENATOR PARKER:

Thank you, Madam President and Members of the Senate. This is an initiative of the Northern Suburban Special Recreation Association. What it does is authorize them for joint acquisition of real estate by gift, legacy, grant, or purchase for recreational programs for the handicapped by two or more park districts or, in counties with a population of three hundred thousand or less, by a park district and another unit of local government. I would be glad to answer any questions and request a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 755 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, 1 voting Present. Senate Bill 755, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Lauzen, on Senate Bill 797. Out of the record. Senator Klemm, on Senate Bill 800. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 800.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

...President. Senate Bill 800 is a proposal that we allowed the local township road commissioners to be able to assist subdivisions that have nondedicated private subdivision roads to be able to get their roads up to standards that would meet the county Code. If you'll recall, for some of us who've been here a long time, we had this bill that allowed up to ten percent of their taxes that are used for the local roads to be used to assist The townships have come to me and the subdivisions have asked if we could extend that time, and also to increase the amount that they can withhold up to fifty percent. This is only for the collar counties -- the townships in the collar counties, so it doesn't affect downstate at all. The townships are in favor of it; the subdivisions are too. And I do ask for your support. Amendment No. 1 did have a sunset provision that we put in there for ten years, which would end. So I'd ask for your support on the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Discussion? Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

Question of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

He indicates he'll yield, Senator Welch.

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SENATOR WELCH:

Senator Klemm, I'm -- I'm unclear as to what taxes can the road commissioner collect from the subdivision. All taxes or just certain real estate taxes or certain -- the appropriation for the road commissioner himself?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

They're the -- part of the -- the taxes for the township road program. They have the permanent hard road, and then they have the road and bridge. It's part of the permanent hard road tax that they use to fix all the township roads up. It's part of -- it only comes from what is the subdivision area alone.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Welch.

SENATOR WELCH:

So -- so this isn't a tax increase; you're just accumulating the taxes that are paid, similar to a TIF district. Is that kind of the idea?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

...saying it's the same dollars, and it's permissive, of course, as you know.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Thank you, Madam President. I just had one question also of the sponsor.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

He indicates he'll yield, Senator...

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

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I heard you, in your explanation, that this was only for collar counties. Is there a -- a reason? I mean, do we do this now in downstate counties? And -- and shouldn't we apply everything equally? I mean, why are we just doing it for the collars and not the rest of the counties?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Klemm.

SENATOR KLEMM:

Well, it's -- it's current law that it's only for the collar counties, and so -- nobody from downstate had asked for it. It's not a problem if downstate wants to get involved. But since the current law only accounted for those areas -- and the reason why, probably, Senator Demuzio, is because years ago, in the twenties and thirties, when the lakes and rivers up in that chain of Lake County, McHenry County, Kane and Will and that, they had a lot of subdivisions of -- of little summer cottages. And what's happened -- they just put a gravel road in and sold lots. Well, what's happened is they've made those summer cottages full-time homes now, but they're still gravel roads. It doesn't really apply as much to downstate, but I didn't have any problem if somebody wanted to do it downstate. But this bill does not direct that, nor does current law.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 800 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. House Bill -- Senate Bill -- 800, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Sullivan, on Senate Bill 816. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

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Senate Bill 816.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Ladies and Gentlemen, I'm going to ask you to take your conferences off the Floor, and if those on the outside of this Chamber can hear on the sides, we can hear you in here, as well. So keep your voices down. Take your conferences outside. All right. Senator Sullivan, on Senate Bill 816.

SENATOR SULLIVAN:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 816 requires the Department of Human Services and the Department of {sic} (on) Aging to create, subject to appropriation, a Prevention of Unnecessary Institutionalization Grant and Loan Program to be jointly administrated. Basically, would help our senior and disability community members to stay in their own home, rather than having go in -- into an institution. I ask for a favorable roll call.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 816 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 816, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Noland, on Senate Bill 816. Read the bill, Madam -- 819. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 819.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Thank you. House Bill -- excuse me, Senate Bill 819 would increase the requirements or specifications to upgrade reflective material for slow-moving vehicle signs. Many of you know them as the emblem that's on the back of slow-moving vehicles, and the technology today is -- is much brighter, increases reflectivity ten times greater than the current specifications. So as of September 1, 2004, all emblems would have to meet this new specification.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Would -- would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

He indicates he'll yield, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Senator Noland, slow-moving vehicles are identified as implements of husbandry, or can that be a regular automobile or truck, whatever?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Noland.

SENATOR NOLAND:

Slow-moving vehicles are typically farm machinery, as you say, implements of husbandry. It would not be -- and the -- the emblem is misused, as you know, Senator. Many times people put it on a gate, or on a fence, or a -- a mailbox post. But it's actually implements of husbandry that are manufactured in this State.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Is there further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 819 pass. Those

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in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's opened. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 819, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Watson, on Senate Bill 825. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 825.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Thank you very much, Madam President. As the MetroLink System expands further into Illinois, much of the responsibility is going to be taken over by the State of Illinois and primarily by the St. Clair County Transit District. And Senate Bill 825 amends the Freedom of Information Act and the Bi-State Transit (Safety) Act by transferring the authority held under the Act by the State of Missouri to that of the St. Clair County Transit District. And it also deletes the July 1st, 2002 {sic} (2001) repealer. There's no opposition. Everyone's supporting it and I'd appreciate your vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 825 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Those opposed, vote Nay. The voting is open. Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 825, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 829. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

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ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 829.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Dillard.

SENATOR DILLARD:

...you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. As the Secretary just read, this bill amends the Unified Code of Corrections to increase the existing fifty-dollar laboratory analysis fee which is assessed against defendants found guilty of drug offenses, to a hundred dollars. It hasn't been raised in quite awhile and the -- the cost of running these crime labs has increased, and this bill is an attempt to offset some of the cost of the crimes labs. I'd be happy to answer any questions, but I'd urge a favorable vote.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 829 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 55 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 829, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Thomas Walsh, on Senate Bill 830. Out of the record. Skip the next one. Senator Thomas Walsh, on Senator Thomas Walsh, on Senate Bill 835. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 835.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

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Senator Walsh.

SENATOR T. WALSH:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 835 sets the State lodging reimbursement rates in Cook County and the District of Columbia at the maximum rate in effect under federal regulation. There's no opposition. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 835 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 52 Ayes, 4 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 835, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Thomas Walsh, on 836. Out of the record. Senator Bomke, on Senate Bill 837. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 837.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Bomke.

SENATOR BOMKE:

Thank you -- thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 837, as indicated, amends the Sick Leave Bank Act, reducing the number of sick days a State employee must retain while contributing to the sick leave bank. Simply provides parity with noncontractual employees and contractual employees, reducing the number of days a noncontractual employee may retain from 10 to 5 days. I know of no opposition and would ask for a favorable...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 837 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 837, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Dillard, on Senate Bill 844. Out of the record. Senator Karpiel, on Senate Bill 850. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 850.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Karpiel, on Senate Bill 850.

SENATOR KARPIEL:

Thank you, Madam President. Senate Bill 850 amends the State (Employee) Indemnification Act to include persons providing services in connection with the Department of Corrections. Currently, health care services are provided at every correctional institution throughout the State through a contract with a vendor that, in turn, subcontracts with physicians. And according to the Department, the Attorney General represents the medical vendors and health care staff that the State directly contracts with but not those individuals who are -- work as subcontractors. And this is a bill to correct that oversight.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 850 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting

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Present. Senate Bill 850, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 853. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 853.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. This is the first of three Department of Revenue administrative bills. The Department -- on Senate Bill 853, it would amend various Sections of the Tobacco Products Tax Act of 1995 to remedy constitutional issues that arose in the first Arangold case but were not ruled on because the court disposed of the case solely on Commerce Clause grounds. The bill is designed to eliminate grounds for remaining constitutional challenges.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 853 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 853, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 854? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 854.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Public Act 91-0439 amended the applicable tax Acts to transform the prior sales tax exemption available for organizations that presented live musical or dramatic performances on a regular basis into an exemption for cultural arts organizations. However, there is no statutory standard saying that these organizations must devote any specific portion of their activities or purposes to cultural arts support programming or services in order to qualify for the exemption. The Department requests that the term "primarily" be inserted in the applicable sales tax Acts in order to remedy the -- the situation.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Yes. Would the sponsor yield?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

He indicates he'll yield, Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Senator, I wasn't in the committee that considered this. Did the Department of Revenue give you a specific example or a incident of a -- an exemption application that triggered this legislation?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

No, they did not.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Is the effect of this bill designed to make it more difficult

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for -- more difficult for an entity to become exempt?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

No, because right now there is no standard for these organizations. So what we're doing is letting anybody get the exemption. If we put in "primarily", at least we have a standard to go by. Right now, there are no standards.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

Okay. Just to clarify. This -- this does not talk about whether or not they're exempt from property taxes. This is -- this is an entity that -- that can file -- I think they file a form saying that they're exempt from having to pay sales tax. And what -- I -- I know I have a lot of these in my district. That's why I'm interested. And the Department of Revenue normally is -- comes forward with bills to try to, you know, protect the State's revenue, which I can understand. I'm just wondering if we're -- we're not changing the law such that someone who is now getting an exemption, it's being taken away as a result of this piece of legislation. Can you tell me whether or not they told you whether or not that's possible?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

Senator, that is possible, because somebody could just devote maybe a half a percent of their particular performance to this musical or dramatic performance and claim the exemption right now. If this goes into effect, it would say you have to primarily be using live music or dramatic performances on a regular basis to get the -- the prior sales tax exemption.

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Cullerton.

SENATOR CULLERTON:

And -- and does the term "primarily" that you have in your bill, does that mean fifty-one percent, or is there any standard by which we can measure what primarily means?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

What I'm told is, although primarily is different than exclusivity, Illinois courts have interpreted exclusivity in the same -- in this exemption context to mean primarily. So the amendment will also eliminate the possibility that a group can make a minor donation to an art organization and then claim the exemption on the basis it supports arts programming.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Further discussion? Further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Peterson, to close. The question is, shall Senate Bill 854 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 854, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Peterson, on Senate Bill 855. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 855.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON:

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Thank you, Madam President. This is the last of the three administrative bills from the Department of Revenue. It has two main provisions. The first is, the current law forbids use of dyed diesel fuel in recreation-type watercraft on waters of the State but does not contain penalties for failure to comply. This bill --bill corrects that oversight. And the second part amends Section 310 of the Environmental Impact Fee Law and Section 2a of the Motor Fuel Tax Law to provide that fuel imported or received is exempt when it is for sale to or used by rail carries. Ask for your support of Senate Bill 855.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 855 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. The voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 855, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 857. Out of the record. Senate Bill 858. Senator Radogno? Senator Radogno, on Senate Bill 858. Okay. Out of the record. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 862? Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 862.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 862 amends the Consumer Installment Loan Act to require that renewal applications must be received by December

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15 of each year. It also raises the bond requirements to twenty-five thousand dollars, in place of a thousand dollars. It permits the assessment of a fine under the Sales Finance Agency Act. Under the Currency Exchange Act -- Exchange Act, requires a new examination and license fee of three hundred dollars, in place of five hundred dollars, if the currency exchange changes owners only. Be happy to answer any questions you might have. This is an initiative from the Department of Financial Institutions.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, question is, shall Senate Bill 862 pass. Those in favor will vote And the voting's open. Have all voted who Opposed, Nay. wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 56 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Senate Bill 862, Present. having received the constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Thomas Walsh, on Senate Bill 864? Out of the record. Senator Watson, do you wish to have this -- Senate Bill 871 returned to the Order of 2nd Reading for the purposes of an amendment? Hearing no objection, on the Order of 2nd Reading is Senate Bill 871. Madam Secretary, have there been any Floor amendments approved for consideration? ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Floor Amendment No. 1, offered by Senator Watson.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Watson.

SENATOR WATSON:

Thank you very much, Madam President. This committee {sic} amendment was offered on behalf of the beef and pork industry, who was concerned that this legislation may allow local governments to regulate the floodway permits of livestock facilities, and this clears up their objection and it is agreed to by all parties.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Is there any discussion? Is there any discussion? Seeing none, all those in favor say Aye. Opposed, Nay. The Ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted. Are there further Floor amendments approved for consideration?

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

No further amendments reported.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

3rd Reading. Senator Rauschenberger, on Senate Bill 873. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 873.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Rauschenberger.

SENATOR RAUSCHENBERGER:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Nearly seven years ago, I had the opportunity to spend almost five weeks in the summer in the excruciating process of working with then Chief of Staff Jim Reilly in crafting the MediPlan Plus Bill, which was supposed to revolutionize and -- and change the way we did business in the Medicaid program. Seven years later, we've never, ever used that carefully crafted program in statute, and this is my third opportunity to bring in a repealer for that Section of the Statutes. This year it is recommended and brought by the Department. It has the support of the Governor's branch. It's a technical clean-up repealer. Gets rid of a program that, unfortunately, we never had the need to use. I'd appreciate favorable support with this critical part of my legislative program.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the

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question is, shall Senate Bill 873 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 873, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Burzynski, on Senate Bill 877. Madam Secretary, read the bill.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 877.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate. Senate Bill 877 modifies the allocation of the funds within the Armory Rental Account. If it becomes law, the expenditures of proceeds within the Armory Rental Account would be made on a modified per capita basis with consideration given to the amount of revenue toward the fund that each armory has generated.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Thank you, Madam President. Will sponsor yield for a question?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

He indicates he'll yield, Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Senator, I'm curious as to what a modified per capita basis is. I mean, either it's per capita or it's not, and it seems to me that this is not per capita. And I'm -- I'm curious as to what

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that will mean for armories in my district, for example.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. That's a very good question, Senator Hawkinson. And basically, I think by modified per capita, they mean per capita for each armory. The armories generate the revenue through rental proceeds, et cetera. So when they say modified per capita, they're -- they're basing it on the per capita at each armory - what they generate per capita.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

How are they distributed now?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Those funds go into a common fund, with the Adjutant General, in the Adjutant General's line items.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

And the Adjutant General then distributes them on a per capita basis to each armory?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

That is correct.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

So now some armories will get less, under your bill, than

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they're currently receiving. Can you -- do you have anything that shows which armories are going to get less funds?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

No. However, I would point out, this is an agency bill. This is a bill that's being brought to us by the Department of Military Affairs.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Hawkinson.

SENATOR HAWKINSON:

Are the armories all -- all in agreement on this?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Well, the Adjutant General is. I don't know about all armories. The only thing I can tell you relative to that is that, at the current time, the -- the Adjutant General does have the authority to redistribute those funds as he sees somewhat fit, I guess.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senate -- is there further discussion? Is there further discussion? Senator Burzynski, do you want to close? Okay. The question is, shall Senate Bill 877 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's opened. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 877, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator O'Malley, on Senate Bill 879. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 879.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator O'Malley.

SENATOR O'MALLEY:

Thank you, Madam President. Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, Senate Bill 879 is the result of work from Senate Bill 359, in -- in our previous General Assembly, and that -- what that legislation did was -- was create the Illinois Insurance Fraud Task Force, which -- which was charged to investigate and make recommendations to the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly concerning insurance fraud. That committee has come forward and made its recommendations and Senate Bill 879 is a product of that. I think it's important for everybody to keep in mind that insurance fraud is a big business in the country. In fact, it is estimated that it amounts to one hundred and twenty billion dollars per year, and the people who pay for the insurance fraud are basically the law-abiding consumers of this country who buy insurance. What Senate Bill 879 will do is increase the reporting of potential fraud to the Department from the current claims reporting requirements in the casualty and property lines to -include additional lines. It'll also expand the reporting requirement beyond claims reporting to the reporting of -application and premium fraud. It would create the Illinois Insurance Claims Fraud Prevention Act, modeled after a similar law that is -- is in existence in the State of California. Would provide a significant monetary incentive to insurance companies, individuals, and local State's attorneys and the Attorney General to bring civil suit against persons who seek to defraud insurance It would also provide protections and recompense to any employee who is discharged or otherwise discriminated against by his employer because of lawful acts he has done in the --

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seeking action under this -- this law. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Any discussion? Any discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 879 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 879, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mahar, on Senate Bill 882. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 882.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Thank you, Madam President, Members of the Senate. Senate Bill 882 allows the Department of Public Aid to deny, terminate, or suspend the eligibility of any vendor if the vendor or certain managing officers have been terminated from another state's Medicaid program or if the vendor or managing officers have been convicted of a felony based on fraud or willful representation {sic} (misrepresentation) related to Medicaid, Medicare, et cetera. I know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Question is, shall Senate Bill 882 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 882, having received the required

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constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Geo-Karis? Read the bill, Madam Secretary, on Senate Bill 883.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 883.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Madam President and Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate, this bill simply changes the name of the Department of Public Aid to the Department of Health Finance. It's a less -- a little less onerous, and I think it's more attractive, and I ask for favorable consideration.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

Question of the sponsor. What...

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

She indicates she'll yield, Senator Demuzio.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

What are -- what are we going to call the Department of Public Aid now?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

Department of Health Finance.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Demuzio. Is there further discussion? Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you, Madam President. Will the sponsor yield?

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PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

She indicates she'll yield, Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Senator, I just noticed that there is a price tag on this of about five hundred thousand dollars, I think. I assume that's for the changeover in letterhead, those kinds of things. Is that within the budget as recommended by the Governor?

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Geo-Karis.

SENATOR GEO-KARIS:

This is an administration bill, and I presume it is, but I -- I can't say for certain. But I don't think it's too much to pay. It'll be changed once and for all.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Senator Burzynski.

SENATOR BURZYNSKI:

Thank you. Well, maybe that's a good question we ask the Department when they come in front of us in Appropriations.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there further discussion? Is there further discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 883 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 41 Ayes, 12 Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 883, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Senator Mahar, on Senate Bill 884. Read the bill, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Bill 884.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

3rd Reading of the bill.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

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Senator Mahar.

SENATOR MAHAR:

Thank you, Madam President. This bill reinstates a fund which previously existed prior to the agency's reorganization. It is a fund that they are going to call the Medical Programs Special Purposes Trust Fund to accept grants, gifts, donations, et cetera. Know of no opposition.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Is there discussion? Is there discussion? Seeing none, the question is, shall Senate Bill 884 pass. Those in favor will vote Aye. Opposed, Nay. And the voting's open. Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Have all voted who wish? Take the record. On that question, there are 57 Ayes, no Nays, none voting Present. Senate Bill 884, having received the required constitutional majority, is declared passed. Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

Senate Resolution 94, offered by Senator Cullerton.

It is a death resolution.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Consent Calendar. For your information, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have effectively removed -- removed -- finished our business for today. And we have a few little business things that we need to take care of, so you can go on and get ready for your committees, which will be starting immediately. Madam Secretary. Oh. And for your information, we will reconvene tomorrow at 12:30. So we convene tomorrow, on Wednesday, at 12:30. Senator Demuzio, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

On a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

State your point.

SENATOR DEMUZIO:

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Well, I don't want this day to go by without everyone in this Chamber recognizing the Illinois 4-H Legislative Connection V Day. And gives us a -- a great deal of pleasure to recognize the organization for the unique accomplishments and I would hope that everyone would be well aware of that today. And Senator Noland and I have asked that there would be a congratulatory proclamation on behalf of the Members of the Senate, informally, to do that, and I would call that to your attention and journalize that.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Thank you very much, Senator Demuzio. Welcome to all our 4-H'ers today. House Bills 1st Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY HAWKER:

House Bill 83 -- pardon me -- House Bill 23, offered by Senators Syverson and Lisa Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 36, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 173, offered by Senator Cullerton.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 201, offered by Senators Demuzio and Lisa Madigan.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 207, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 233, offered by Senator Bomke.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 253, offered by Senator Woolard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 400, offered by Senator Obama.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 417, offered by Senator Woolard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 445, offered by Senator Mahar.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 513, offered by Senator Bomke.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 525, offered by Senator Bomke.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 542, offered by Senator Myers.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 605, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 678, offered by Senator Watson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 681, offered by Senator Dudycz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 714, offered by Senator Halvorson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 752, offered by Senator Myers.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 770, offered by Senator Myers.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 875, offered by Senator Ronen.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 921, offered by Senator Noland.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 977, offered by Senator O'Malley.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1070, offered by Senator Rauschenberger.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1692, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1694, offered by Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1700, offered by Senator Peterson.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1822, offered by Senator Sieben.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1911, offered by Senators Hendon and Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 1927, offered by Senator Karpiel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2011, offered by Senators Lightford and Hendon.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2230, offered by Senator Mahar.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2247, offered by Senator Dudycz.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2249, offered by Senator Karpiel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2265, offered by Senator Halvorson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2266, offered by Senator Halvorson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2268, offered by Senator Radogno.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2301, offered by Senator Karpiel.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2412, offered by Senator Weaver.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2436, offered by Senator Burzynski.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2556, offered by Senator Sieben.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 2567, offered by Senator Peterson.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3055, offered by Senator Woolard.

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(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3068, offered by Senator Lightford.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3099, offered by Senator Woolard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

House Bill 3105, offered by Senator Dillard.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

And House Bill 3145, offered by Senator Donahue.

(Secretary reads title of bill)

1st Reading of the bills.

PRESIDING OFFICER: (SENATOR DONAHUE)

Okay, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, Senator Peterson moves that the Senate stand adjourned -- Senator Peterson moves that the Senate stand adjourned until the hour of 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 28th. 12:30. The Senate is adjourned.